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
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Article was published May 6, so meeting would have been held on Friday, May 3.

International negotiators at the meeting of the UN Conference of the Parties in Geneva have unanimously agreed  a global ban on the use of perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA), with some exemptions.
<https://chemicalwatch.com/77163/geneva-meeting-agrees-global-ban-on-pfoa-with-exemptions>

Exemptions are listed in the article.

Most of the 182 countries that have ratified the Stockholm Convention have 12 months to implement the ban. The US is not a party to the Convention, so the ban does not apply to it.

Geneva meeting agrees global ban on PFOA, with exemptions

Negotiators add the chemical to annex A of the Stockholm Convention

6 May 2019

Excerpt: International negotiators at the meeting of the UN Conference of the Parties in Geneva have unanimously agreed a global ban on the use of perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA), with some exemptions.

Delegates at the meeting agreed on Friday to add the chemical, along with its salts and PFOA-related compounds, to Annex A of the Stockholm Convention on persistent organic pollutants (POPs). This requires countries to take action to "eliminate the production and use" of the chemical. <snip>

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